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TO : Chief, PPS

DATE: 17 May 1957

FROM : Chief, LAS

SUBJECT: Weekly Activities Report #19²⁰A. SIGNIFICANT ITEMS

None to report.

B. OTHER ACTIVITIES

1. Students of the Integrated Russian Language/Area Course (Phase II) have requested in a memorandum to the DTR that Mr. [REDACTED] be authorized to continue his lectures in this course an additional four weeks, until 31 May 1957. This is an area course conducted in the Russian language.

2. [REDACTED] course on the Indian Sub-Continent was completed on 10 May, having had 13 students in regular attendance. The course appears to have filled a long-felt need. Several requests for a repeat of the course have been received.

3. The flags of the 81 United Nations have been received for display in the Language and Area School. One set will be hung in the Language Laboratory, and the other set in the corridor of Wing F, Quarters Eye. This is result of a suggestion originated by [REDACTED] after he returned from his world tour with DTR.

5. The Russian Reader for Beginning and Intermediate Classes TR RM 0-10, which was prepared by [REDACTED], was received from the printers this week. 125 copies were made, and further copies will be produced later from the plates in our possession.

6. [REDACTED] met with [REDACTED] of EE for an initial discussion of the extent of EE interest in the new Integrated Language/Area course on Germany scheduled for October-December. This will be our first intermediate-level intensive German language

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course and would be handled by [REDACTED] with [REDACTED] assistance. [REDACTED] agreed that the language materials and discussions could most profitably be organized around area themes concerned with Germany and, in addition, one neighboring Satellite, preferably Poland. He estimated that EE, under favorable conditions, might have two to four candidates for this course. [REDACTED] has determined that OSI and ORR also are interested, and may well have at least one candidate each.

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7. [REDACTED], TO/ORR, volunteered the information that students who have taken the Integrated Language/Area course on the USSR are enthusiastic about its effectiveness.

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8. Allan Evans, Director of State/OIR, made a highly original presentation of the subject, "Impact of World War II on Europe," in the Free Europe course. This concluded a series of six historical lectures on the theme, "Roots of Contemporary Problems," which drew capacity audiences in this course.

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9. [REDACTED] is now contributing further to the instruction in the Basic German course by recording tapes in German to complete the variation drills.

10. The Bulgarian test was given on 9 May for two people. Mr. Vasil Furnad of the Voice of America served on the panel for the oral test.

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11. The German test was given on 9 May for four people by special request. Mrs. [REDACTED] served on the panel for the oral test.

12. The School's language program currently consists of 474 class hours per week.

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C. PERSONNEL ITEMS

[REDACTED] who has been on loan to OTR from SR, left on 10 May to have an operation.

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